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# GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

*Serial Nos.* 1

**Part B. for** March 06

SUBJECT.

Preparation of the draft Famine Code, and appreciation of the services of Mr B. Ramaswami Iyengar in connection therewith

FILE No. 131 of 1905-06

*Preparation of the draft Famine Code and appreciation of Mr. B. Ramaswami Iyengar's services in connection therewith.*

1 To Mr. B. Ramaswami Iyengar, Senior Assistant Commissioner, G. O. No. R. 12647, dated 30th March 1906.

Informs him that Government are pleased to record their appreciation of the thoroughness with which he has done the work of drafting the Famine Code and conveys their thanks to him for it.

K O L A R,

21st September 1905.

My dear Sir,

I am in receipt of the draft copy of the revised Mysore Famine Code - sections 1 to 57 - sent with your D. O. letter of the 11th instant.

2. I went through the draft carefully and find that the provisions therein contained are full and exhaustive and need little or no modification.

3. I have no material suggestions to offer. But one or two minor points have struck me. The Famine Programme (vide sec.24 of the draft) might make provision for the cutting of boundary lines around State Forests and for the collection of Tangadi and Kakke bark. These works especially the latter, are calculated to afford employment to a considerable part of the population during times of drought.

4. If the provisions of this draft Code are to be adopted as a guide in case of any necessity arising in

the immediate future for the introduction of famine relief measures, I would request you to kindly favour me with 16 more copies of this draft Code for circulation among the Assistant Commissioners and Amildars.

Yours sincerely

W Nettlamuthett

B K Venkata Varadarajan Esqr

Secretary to Government

General & Revenue Dept

To Dr. Ramasamiengar

22.9.1905

Champion Reefs
2nd March 1906.

To the Ranger
&
3.3.1506

My dear Sir,

I am in receipt of the 17 copies of Forms 1 to 14. and the 2 Addenda slips sent with your D.O. letter of the 26th February 1906.

I have gone through the Draft Jammine Code carefully and find that the provisions therein contained are so full and exhaustive that I have no further suggestions to offer at present.

Yours sincerely

H V Nattamuthu

B. K. Venkatacharadiyar Esq

401

No: 6676

Office of the Chief Engineer
of Mysore,
Dated Bangalore 18th October 1905

Dear Sir,

With reference to the printed copy of the draft of the Mysore Famine Code (Sections 1 to 57) received with your D.O. of the 16th ultimo, for perusal and for any suggestions that I may have to offer, I have to inform you that the only alteration that I would propose is in section 39, under Chapter. III-"Period of observation and test". As in section 38 it is laid down that any ordinary work or works "under either the P.W. Department, the Revenue Department or the District Board", may be selected for a test work, it appears to me that when a work is selected as a "Test work" which is not under the management of the P.W.D., such Test work had better remain under the Revenue Department and not be under the management of the Executive Engineer. When a work under the management of the P.W.D. is selected for a Test work, it should remain under the P.W.D., i-e. under the management of the Executive Engineer, instead of "under the supervision of the Deputy Commissioner". I would therefore substitute "in co-operation with the Deputy Commissioner" for " under the supervision of the Deputy Commissioner" in Clause 1 of Section 39.

M D D Chulglas

Chief Engineer of Mysore.

To,

The Secretary to Government,
General and Revenue Departments.

To Sir Ramasamiyer
B. 10. 1905

Enclosure - 4.

Office of the Chief Engineer
of Mysore

7313

Bangalore 8th November 1905

Dear Sir,

In continuation of my D.O.(No.6676 dated 18th ultimo, I have to inform you that I have no suggestions to offer to Chapters V, VI and VII of the draft of the Mysore Famine Code received with your D.O. of the 1st instant. The sections contained in them have my approval.

To the Ramsamiya & 8.11.1905

Yours Sincerely,

W. W. Hutchinson

Chief Engineer of Mysore.

Famine – 5.

No. 7485

Office of the Chief Engineer

of Mysore,

Bangalore 16th November '05

Dear Sir,

In continuation of my D.O.(No.7313) dated 8th instant, I have to inform you that Chapters VIII and IX of the draft of the Mysore Famine Code, received with your D.O. No.R.5776-87 of the 10th idem, seem all right. I have no suggestions to offer.

Yours Sincerely,

M. K. V. Iyengar

To,

B.K.Venkata Varada Iyengar Esquire,

Secretary to Government,

General and Revenue Departments

To Mr Ramaswamy Iyengar

16.11.1905

Opinion 6 5348 Rev

28-11-05

Office of the Chief Engineer

No. 7433 of Mysore,

Bangalore 25th November 1905.

Dear Sir,

In continuation of my D.O. No.7485 of the 16th instant, I have to inform you that I have no suggestions to offer to Chapters X to XVI of the Draft of the Mysore Famine Code, received with your D.O.No.R.6087-98 of the 17th idem.

Yours sincerely,

W. D. Sulaiman

Chief Engineer of Mysore.

To,

B.K.Venkata Varada Iyengar Esquire,

Secretary to Government,

General and Revenue Department

Opinions-7

No. 7826. In file re Compilation 30.11.05

Bangalore
30-11-1905.

Dear Sir,

In continuation of my D.O. No. 7733 of the 25th instant, I have to inform you that Chapters XVII & XIX of the draft of the Mysore famine Code received with your D.O. No. 6217-28 of the 22nd instant, do not contain anything relating to this Department, and I have no suggestions to offer.

Yours Sincerely,
W. W. Hudleston
Chief Engineer & Secretary.

To
B. K. Venkatavaradesikar Esq.

Bangalore,

7th February 1906.

Dear Sir,

With reference to the copy of table of contents to the Draft Famine Code received with your D.O. No.R.10365-80 of the 2nd instant, for my opinion, I have to inform you that I have no remarks to make.

Yours Sincerely,

M. D'Vasconcellos

To
B.K. Venkatanarasaraja Esqre
Secy to Govt. Jails & Rems Depts.

No. 1354

Public Works Secretariat,

Bangalore 2nd March 1906.

Dear Sir,

With reference to your D.O. No.R. 11095-11110 of the 26th ultimo, forwarding a copy each of forms 1 to 14 &c, in connec--tion with the draft of the Mysore Famine Code, (received only on the 1st instant), I have to inform you that I have no remarks to make.

Yours Sincerely,

W. D. Waldron

Chief Engineer of Mysore.

To,

B.K.Venkata Varada Iyengar Esquire,

Secretary to Government,

General & Revenue Departments.

To Mrs Ramdoss
2-3-1906

To Mr Ramasamiyar
&
25.10.1905

T U M K U R ,

23rd October 1905.

My Dear Sir,

Referring to your D.O. letter of the 16th ultimo forwarding the first 57 sections of the draft Famine Code and calling for opinion upon them: The draft code so far is an improvement upon the old code and there can be only a very few suggestions to make.--------

Page 12. Section.23:- I would add a second para to say that no work in this programme could be started except upon the requisition or with the sanction of the Deputy Commissioner. The necessity for such provision becomes apparent when we consider the extreme undesirability of two independent agencies beginning to start relief works. It must remain for the Deputy Commissioner to decide when and where to start relief work, for, the condition of the people and the class to which they belong, their need of relief and the time when it should be afforded and the kind of work most suited for the purpose are best judged by him.

Page 30. Section.57:- The authorization delegated to the Commissioner may be delegated to the Deputy Commissioner who can just as easily do the needful in consultation with the

[illegible] question [illegible] of adopting the road cut procedure of [illegible] road [illegible] formidable.

Section 107, Clause (1):- At the recent [illegible] meeting [illegible] will be first noticed [illegible] the Deputy Commissioner [illegible] to exercise [illegible] vested by him from time to time [illegible] knowledge and [illegible] necessary with the help of the [illegible] would seem to be [illegible] necessity to apply to the Deputy Commissioner in this [illegible].

Section 108, Section 109 :- The word [illegible] in this section [illegible] to be [illegible] of considerable modification. Wherever the word "Ahrit" occurs in relation to the Superintendent [illegible] Forest, I would omit it. A further duty of the Deputy Commissioner [illegible] their District Headquarters [illegible] should be added to the Deputy Commissioner who [illegible] to visit all the Districts [illegible] the Superintendent [illegible] some other officer. Section [illegible] seem to [illegible] the position of the Deputy Commissioner [illegible] Lastly the penalty clauses [illegible] necessary to [illegible] the original working of our [illegible] forests.

Yours Sincerely.

K Brown

Tumkur

7th December 1905

My dear Sir

I have carefully read Sections 38 to 305 of the Draft Famine Code that were sent Demi Officially in three batches. They appear to be too elaborate in detail and so possibly difficult to work but I should not care to venture an opinion upon that point as their drafting bears the impress of considerable care and forethought and points unmistakably to experience infinitely superior to mine.

To Mr Ramsamiengar
&
S.C. Esqr

In regard to the practical working of the Code I would suggest modifications in the light of the remarks in my D.O.letter of the 23rd October 1905. The relation of the Commissioner to the Engineering Department seems to be confined to no higher an Officer than the Superintending Engineer while in the medical Department the head of that Department is mentioned (Section 234).

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In Section 172 (f). would delete the provision requiring the sufferers of relief in a Storm to wear a ticket round their necks at all times as it might be repugnant to both men and women. Although I have heard are not greatly alarming to even that section of the public for whom ~~it is~~ they are intended and the ticket that ~~or~~ an additional detriment as it is thereby as often stated with the restriction in the minds of the people.

Yours Sincerely
K Vandeleur

B. K. Venkata Vandeleur Esqr.
Secretary to Govt. Gen'l Mr Depts

T U M K U R

3rd March 1906.

My Dear Sir

I have read through carefully the appendices and forms received with your D.O's of the 16th January and 20th February last and I find no modifications called for.

Yours sincerely

K Doraswamy Iyengar

To Mr Ramaswamy Iyengar
2-3-1906

B.K.Venkata Varada Iyengar Esqr.

Secretary to Government.

Bangalore.

5th November 05.

My dear Sir,

I beg to acknowledge with thanks the receipt of a copy of chapters V, VI and VII (Sections 58-101) of the Draft of the Mysore Famine Code forwarded with your D.O. dated 1st November 1905.

To Mr Ramasamiyer
6-11-1905

Yours sincerely,

K. Venkatavaradaiengar Esquire,
Secretary to the Government of
H. H. the Maharaja of
Mysore, Genl: & Rev: Depats.

Bangalore.

No: 2776/292

17th November 1905.

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Dear Sir,

I beg to acknowledge with thanks the recipt of a copy of Chapters VIII and IX (sections 102 to 161) of the draft of Mysore Famine Code, received with your D.O. No: R.5776-87 dated 10th November 1905.

Yours sincerely,

18-11-1905

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B. K. Venkatavaradaiengar Esquire,

Secy. to the Govt. of H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore, General and Revenue Departments

no: 2932/329

Bangalore.

24th November 1905.

25-1

Dear Sir,

I beg to acknowledge with thanks the receipt of a copy of Chapters X to XVII (Sections 162 to 233) of the Draft of the Mysore Famine Code, received with your D.O. No: R 6087-98 dated 18th November 1905.

To Mr Ramsamy
25.11.05

25/11/05

Yours sincerely,

B. K. Venkatavaradaiengar Esquire,

Secy. to the Govt. of Mysore,

Genl: & Rev: Departments.

Rec'd 1.12.05

Bangalore.

no: 3029
339

30th November 1905.
1st Dec:

My dear Sir,

I beg to acknowledge with thanks the receipt of a copy of Chapters XVII to XIX (Sections 234 to 265) of the Draft of the Mysore Famine Code, received with your D.O. No: R 6217-28 dated 22nd November 1905.

Yours sincerely,

B. K. Venkatavaradaiengar Esquire,
Secy. to the Govt. of Mysore,
Genl: & Rev: Departments.

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Camp Closepet.

9th December 1905.

11-12-05

Dear Sir,

I beg to acknowledge with thanks the receipt of a copy of chapters XX & XXI (sections 266 to 305) of the Draft of the Mysore Famine Code received with your D.O. No: 6511-22 dated 30th November 1905.

Yours sincerely,

To,

The Secretary to the Govt. of Mysore, Genl: & Rev: Departments.

Bangalore

28th January 1906.

Dear sir,

I beg to acknowledge with thanks the receipt of a copy of the Appendices I to VI to the Draft of the Mysore Famine Code, forwarded with your D.O. dated 16th. January 1906.

Yours sincerely,

To,

B.K.Venkata Varada Iyengar Esq.

L Kamsamaya

30/1/1906

Mysore

No: 4134/453

Bangalore.

13th February 1906.

Dear Sir,

I beg to acknowledge with thanks the receipt of a copy of the Table of contents to the Draft Famine Code forwarded with your D. O. dated the 2nd instant.

Yours sincerely,

13-2-1906

B. K. Venkatavaradaiengar Esquire,

Secretary to the Govt. of Mysore,

Genl: & Rev: Departments.

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Ministry
of Finance
Section

Subject:

Currency Committee
(No. R 11095 – 11110) dated 28th
Feb. Regarding
Parliamentary question
asked in regard to the
Committee.

Please submit
necessary

V.R. Krishnamachariar
6-3-1956

Rep/c. Cellar DO 26/2

26/2/66.

26/2

Dear Sir

The Prince visit has taken up much of my time & I have been unable to go through his evidently carefully thought out code & look me criticise a hurried opinion on these Rules cannot be valuable.

My impression however is that Govt have gone

with unnecessary details
like orders for the
Famine Officer.
It is impossible that
too great care can be
expended in working
out Schemes for the
labor at famine time
In fact each Taluq
shd have its own Scheme
of work for relief
So that one hears
actual distress comes

Govt may by authorising
already considered
minor works throw
money into the distressed
area. But the
Famine Officer himself
must be allowed a very
wide discretion and
from a somewhat hasty
perusal of the Rules
I think that he is required
to do too much in the
way of reports & reference.

Yours truly
26/2/86 J. Lee Ramaswamiyer
Recd 27.2.1886

1906.

From The Examiner,
P.W.Accounts of Mysore.

To The Chief Engineer,
of Mysore.

Dated 2nd March 1906.

Despatched

Received

General No. 5197
~~No.~~ 28.

Enclosure No.

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In reply to his No: 7964 of the 5th December last, has the honor to state that the accounts procedure to be followed in respect of Famine - Relief Works is that prescribed in the P.W.Code, subject to the special - arrangements in regard to initial - accounts laid down in chapter ~~VIII~~ VIII - (~~IX~~). There is also the special - arrangements vide paras 59 and 63 (g) relating to the provision of funds by Deputy Commissioners and the decentra--liz-ation of detailed audit work unde para 268. There appears to the under-signed to be nothing objectionable in the procedure prescribed; it is - presumed that the provision of funds by Deputy Commissioners will take the form of a letter of credit, ~~I.O.~~ A. C. an intimation

intimation to the Treasury Officer of a limit up to which the Executive Engineer's Cheques are to be honored. It is understood that it is desirable to keep the demand upon the treasuries in respect of Famine Expenditure distinct from the demand for the ordinary needs of the administration and the situation will accordingly exist of Executive Engineers having each two drawing accounts at the Treasuries.

2. The detailed classification of expenditure will be that laid down in appendix 22 P.W.D.Code. The rules in paras 298 to 300 governing the distribution of expenditure between the major head "Famine Relief", and the other heads ordinarily charged with departmental expenditure, are indentical with those prescribed by the Government of India. Vide P.W.D Code paras 1037 and 1038. Reference to the Military Works Department in paras 299 a-c should apparently be eliminated.

Sd/. W.H.Scott

Examiner,

P.W.Accounts of Mysore.

Copy

Examiner,

P.W.Accounts of Mysore.

Bangalore,

8th March 1906.

Dear Sir,

With reference to your D.O. letter of the 30th November last, calling for my views upon the Draft Mysore Famine Code, I have to state that I have carefully studied the same, and the only matter on which I feel that I am competent to offer any suggestion is that dealt with in Chapter XIV. This chapter treats of Aboriginal, Hill and Jungle tribes As is well-known, they are found only in the Mysore district where they make their abode in secluded forest tracts, far away from regular villages, depending on forest works for their maintenance. Some are also found on the out-skirts of forests, earning their livelihood partly in villages during sowing and harvest seasons and partly in State Forests.

As a rule, they do not cultivate any agricultural crops except to a limited and insignificant extent. Bad seasons and bad crops therefore, only affect them by the rise in the price of food stuffs.

They rarely come in contact with the Revenue officials, who know little or nothing of their habits, or never visit them in their wild abodes. The usual agency for administering relief and form of relief are therefore not suitable in their case. I am therefore, of opinion that the administration of relief to wild tribes should be left entirely in the hands of the Forest Department. For this purpose, I would assign the duties entrusted according to the Code to Patels, Shanbogs, and Sheikdars to Foresters; and those devolving on Amildars and Assistant Commissioners, to Range officers and District Forest Officers, respectively.

I think

I think that most of the works detailed in para 212 (b) are unsuitable for wild tribes. I would, therefore, limit their employment to works in forests only.

I remain,

Yours sincerely,

To

B.K.Venkatavarada Iyengar, Esq.